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Dr. Marshall Nirenberg Laboratory of Clinical Biochemistry National Heart Institute National Institutes of Health Building 10, Room 7D03 Bethesda, Maryland

Dear Doctor Nirenberg:

Doctor Robert B. Hurlbert has been in correspondence with you, I believe, concerning our Twenty-second Annual Symposium on Fundamental Cancer Research, to be held in 1968.

A principal feature of this Annual Symposium is the Bertner Foundation Lecture and Award. The nominee for this honor is selected for an outstanding contribution to research of significance in the field of cancer. Enclosed for your information is the Bertner Foundation Award brochure for the 1967 Symposium. An honorarium of \$500 and reimbursement for travel expense are provided by the Bertner Foundation.

It is my great pleasure to inform you that the Symposium Committee has recommended you as our 1968 Bertner Foundation Lecturer in recognition of your many contributions to our knowledge concerning the nucleotide code for amino acids in protein synthesis. A cordial invitation is hereby extended to you to accept this nomination and to participate in the Symposium.

With your acceptance, our Symposium Program Committee Chairman, Doctor Hurlbert, will write you in more detail about the Lecture. It is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on March 7, 1968, and should be a presentation of approximately 45 minutes in time of delivery. The Committee would hope your topic would be one in keeping with the theme of the Symposium which, as you know, is "Exploitable Molecular Mechanisms and Neoplasia," and would like to have your specific title as soon as you have made the decision. The manuscript of the Bertner Lecture will be published in the Symposium monograph and should be submitted at the time of the Lecture.

We realize that you may be working with a tight schedule next spring, but in our quest for the top contributors to cancer research as candidates for the Bertner Award, we gave your name our first consideration.

We look forward to the prospect of a favorable reply.

Sincerely yours,

R. Lee Clark, M. D.

Director and Surgeon-in-Chief

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cc: Dr. Robert B. Hurlbert